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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Communication mailed on March 16, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.

Support for the Amendment appears on page 5 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this response.